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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, ELAB, HO

SUBJECT: STRIKE AT BEMIS-HANDAL TEXTILES

REF: TEGUCIGALPA 2689, 2708

1. THE STRIKE THREAT AGAINST BEMIS-HANDAL TEXTILES (66 PERCENT U.S. OWNED) DESCRIBED REFTELS WAS FULFILLED JULY 2 WHEN THE UNION ULTIMATUM EXPIRED WITHOUT COMPANY CONCESSION. ENTERING ITS SECOND DAY THE STRIKE CONTINUES TO BE PEACEFUL BUT HEAVILY MANNED PICKET LINE COULD PRODUCE INCIDENTS.

2. LABMIN FONSECA TOLD EMBOFF THAT FESITRANH UNIONS HAD MET JUNE 30 AND HAD ADVISED SITRAETBEH THAT UNION GRIEVANCES DID NOT JUSTIFY STRIKE. COMPROMISE OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PERSONNEL MANAGER SUGGESTED BY FONSECA WAS ALSO REJECTED BY UNION. FONSECA SENT DEPUTY TO SAN PEDRO JULY 3 TO SEEK SOLUTION AND MAY GO HIMSELF JULY 4. FONSECA SAID THAT HE EXPECTS COMPANY TO FORMALLY APPLY FOR MINISTRY ACTION TO
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DECLARE STRIKE ILLEGAL AFTERNOON OF JULY 3.

3. COMMENT: IN THE ABSENCE OF FESITRANH SUPPORT FOR THE STRIKERS FONSECA HAS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR QUICK MINISTRY ACTION TO DECLARE THE STRIKE ILLEGAL BEFORE THE QUESTION BECOMES POLITICIZED. THE LONGER THE STRIKE DRAGS ON THE MORE POLITICAL IT WILL BECOME WITH ACCOMPANY PRESSURES ON FONSECA AND THE GOH. SANCHEZ

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